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Field Crops

Arizona's upland cotton crop has bolls opening on 95 percent of the acreage. Harvesting is 20 percent complete, the same as the 5-year average. The condition of the cotton crop varies from fair to excellent. Alfalfa condition is mostly fair to excellent. Harvesting is active on over two-thirds of the acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers remained active with the harvest of miscellaneous melons.

Range and Pasture

Range and pastures didn't receive much rain last week. Rangeland conditions vary from very poor to good, depending on location. Lack of moisture has prevented new growth. Forage that is available is drying out.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>- Percent -</i>				
Alfalfa	-	5	35	41	19
Range and Pasture	32	22	23	18	5
Cotton	-	7	25	48	20

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	<i>- Percent -</i>			
Cotton				
• Bolls Opening	95	88	93	93
• Harvested	20	17	18	20

Weather Summary

Temperatures were above normal for the week ending October 2nd, ranging from one degree above normal at Parker to 10 degrees above normal at Douglas and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 106 degrees at Roll and Yuma. The lowest reading was 36 degrees at Grand Canyon. Precipitation was recorded

in 10 of the 22 weather stations. The least precipitation was recorded in Canyon De Chelly with 0.02 inches. The most precipitation was recorded in Prescott with 0.39 inches. Roll and Tucson are the only weather stations that have above normal precipitation since January.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
September 26, 2011 - October 2, 2011								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	79	3	98	55	0.00	3.28	-4.20	44
Buckeye	84	4	103	61	0.00	2.48	-2.93	46
Canyon De Chelly	65	5	83	43	0.02	4.36	-2.69	62
Coolidge	79	2	100	54	0.00	2.38	-2.93	45
Douglas	79	10	97	59	0.23	5.47	-5.32	51
Flagstaff	57	5	80	38	0.13	14.81	-2.15	87
Grand Canyon	58	9	82	36	0.26	10.80	-4.45	71
Kingman	76	7	95	57	0.09	6.47	-0.95	87
Marana	82	6	99	64	0.12	3.19	-4.88	40
Maricopa	82	4	100	60	0.00	1.64	-3.55	32
Paloma	81	2	103	57	0.00	3.37	-1.45	70
Parker	81	1	104	58	0.00	2.22	-0.81	73
Payson	68	6	89	45	0.15	11.00	-5.37	67
Phoenix	90	9	104	76	0.00	2.64	-2.77	49
Prescott	70	10	91	49	0.39	7.13	-8.29	46
Roll	84	3	106	59	0.00	3.06	0.85	138
Safford	77	6	96	55	0.00	3.75	-3.49	52
St. Johns	67	7	88	47	0.00	6.36	-2.63	71
Tucson	81	5	95	64	0.06	9.95	0.66	107
Willcox	74	7	97	47	0.00	9.52	-0.42	96
Winslow	70	8	90	49	0.05	4.67	-1.29	78
Yuma	89	7	106	74	0.00	1.41	-0.80	64
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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